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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	CRIMINAL NO. 14-4221 JB
	)	
vs.	)	Counts 1 and 2: 18 U.S.C. § 287: False Claim for Refund;
	)	
	)	Count 3: 26 U.S.C. § 7212(a): Corruptly Obstructs or Impedes the Due Administration of the Internal Revenue Code.
FRANCES JO MEHNER,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges:

Count 1

On or about January 8, 2010, in Sandoval County, in the District of New Mexico, and elsewhere, the defendant, **FRANCES JO MEHNER**, made and presented to the Internal Revenue Service, an agency of the United States Department of the Treasury, a claim against the United States for payment of a refund of taxes in the amount of $211,334,725.00, which she then and there knew to be false, fictitious, and fraudulent. **FRANCES JO MEHNER** made the claim by mailing and causing to be mailed, and presenting and causing to be presented to said agency, a U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, Form 1040 for the year 2005 which requested a refund to which the defendant knew she was not entitled.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. § 287.

Count 2

On or about January 8, 2010, in Sandoval County, in the District of New Mexico, and elsewhere, the defendant, **FRANCES JO MEHNER**, made and presented to the Internal Revenue Service, an agency of the United States Department of the Treasury, a claim against the United States for payment of a refund of taxes in the amount of $958,163,765.00, which she then and there knew to be false, fictitious, and fraudulent. **FRANCES JO MEHNER** made the claim by mailing and causing to be mailed, and presenting and causing to be presented to said agency, a U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, Form 1040 for the year 2006 which requested a refund to which the defendant knew she was not entitled.

In violation of 18 U.S.C. § 287.

Count 3

That beginning on or about August 4, 2004 and continuing thereafter up to and including September 18, 2012, in Sandoval County in the District of New Mexico and elsewhere, **FRANCES JO MEHNER,** did corruptly endeavor to obstruct and impede the due administration of the internal revenue laws by filing with the Internal Revenue Service the following false and fraudulent U.S. Individual Income Tax Returns, Form 1040 and documents purporting to support these returns: for the taxable years, 1996, 1999, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008, in the name of Frances Jo Mehner, claiming tax refunds that the defendant was not entitled to.

In violation of 26 U.S.C. § 7212(a).

A TRUE BILL:

/s/

FOREPERSON OF THE GRAND JURY

Assistant United States Attorney

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